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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Ravi ACHARYA, et. al.

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
ELECTRONIC DEPOSIT OF THIRD
PARTY CHECKS BY
NON-COMMERCIAL BANKING
CUSTOMERS FROM REMOTE
LOCATIONS

Group Art Unit: 2164

Examiner: James S. Bergin

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

COMMUNICATION REGARDING PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Sir;

With regard to the Petition to Make Special originally filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.102 on January 23, 2001 and resubmitted on August 8, 2001 with respect to the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request that this application be granted special status and advanced for examination. Applicants have fulfilled the requirements set forth in MPEP 708.02 VIII for requesting accelerated examination status for this application and have not been notified of any defects in their request.

If any defects have been found in Applicants' request for accelerated examination, the Examiner is kindly requested and encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned



representative at the number listed below or otherwise inform Applicants of such deficiency so that they may be corrected in a renewed petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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